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To: Members of delegations and the staff at Headquarters

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for General Services

Subject: FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON THURSDAY, 4 JULY 1991

1. Macy's will be holding its 4th of July fireworks display this year on the East River in co-sponsorship with the City of New York. The display is scheduled from 9.20 p.m. to 9.50 p.m.

2. The United Nations garden is considered a good vantage point for viewing the display. Designated viewing areas will be opened that evening to members of delegations, staff members and their families. Owing to space limitations, the general public will not be admitted. Accordingly, anyone wishing to enter the United Nations may do so only if accompanied by a member of delegation or a staff member with a valid grounds pass. This provision will be strictly enforced.

3. In the past, some staff members, delegates, and their families have observed the display from office windows in the Secretariat Building. Unfortunately, there have been problems relating to the conduct of some persons admitted to the building and incidents have occurred which have given rise to concern for the personal safety of a number of people. In particular, staff members are reminded that the opening of windows IS NOT PERMITTED under any circumstances. Staff members shall be responsible for the conduct of persons accompanying them in the United Nations. Those wishing to view the display from the Secretariat Building should use their own office. If this is not possible, staff members are encouraged to do so from designated areas in the North Garden. For safety reasons, no one will be permitted to view the fireworks display from the roof terraces overlooking the river.

4. There is construction work in the Public Plaza and the access routes to and from the North Garden will be limited. The Security Officers on duty will direct viewers to the appropriate access routes and designated viewing areas.

Members of delegations and staff members are requested not to bring in food or beverages and are reminded that the setting off of fireworks of any kind is prohibited. The United Nations will be patrolled by Security Officers and anyone inside the compound must abide by their instructions.

5. Catering facilities will be available in the evening as indicated below:

Main Cafeteria	1st floor, Secretariat Building	5-10 p.m.
Staff Cafe	4th floor, Secretariat Building	6.30-10 p.m.
Delegates Dining Room	4th floor, Conference Building	6.30-11.30 p.m.
Private Dining Rooms (for groups of 10-20 only)		

Access to the Staff Cafe, Delegates Dining Room and Private Dining Rooms will be allowed only through confirmed reservations which could be made by calling extension 3-7625 or 3-7626.

6. For the convenience of staff, the United Nations garage will be open and admittance will be on payment of the regular evening fee of $2.50 on presentation of a valid grounds pass. Cars will be permitted to enter through the 48th Street gate that evening. Since the FDR Drive might be closed for the duration of the display, staff members will be directed by Security Officers to the appropriate exits from the United Nations garage.

7. Members of delegations, staff and their families must leave the United Nations compound upon the conclusion of the fireworks display. In this regard, there will undoubtedly be some congestion in the elevators and at the gates and all concerned are requested to be patient.

8. In the event of an emergency, the nearest Security Officer should be notified. The Security Control Centre can be contacted at extension 3-6666.